



Candace A. Franks Bank Commissioner

Candace A. Franks became Arkansas's 21st Bank Commissioner June 13, 2007. On December 4, 2014, newly elected Governor Asa Hutchinson announced he would retain Ms. Franks as Commissioner to continue her leadership role in his administration.

As Bank Commissioner, Ms. Franks oversees the Arkansas State Bank Department. The Bank Department is the chartering and regulatory authority for state banks that have a main office in Arkansas. As of March 31, 2015, the agency supervised 84 state-chartered commercial banks with total assets of \$55.6 billion.

Commissioner Franks is Immediate Past Chairman of the board of directors of the Conference of State Bank Supervisors (CSBS), having served a one-year term as chairman through May 2015. CSBS is the nation's leading advocate for – and the only national organization dedicated to advancing – the state banking system. As Immediate Past Chairman, Commissioner Franks remains a member of the CSBS Executive Committee.

From 1995 until her appointment as Commissioner, Ms. Franks served as deputy bank commissioner and general counsel for the Bank Department. Prior to that, since 1980, Ms. Franks served as general counsel to the Bank Department and represented the State Banking Board.

Commissioner Franks served from 1994 to 1997 on the Governor's Task Force to revise the Arkansas Banking Code. In 1996 and 1997, she was a member of the Governor's Task Force on Interstate Banking and Branching.

In March 2010, Commissioner Franks was recognized by *Arkansas Business* as one of 20 "Women of Influence" – women considered to be among the most influential in their fields in Arkansas. Ms. Franks was selected by *Arkansas Business* in 1996, 1997 and 1998 as one of the "Top 100 Women in Arkansas."

Ms. Franks received a Juris Doctor from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Law in 1979. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in history and a Master of Arts degree in American history at Arkansas State University in Jonesboro.

Ms. Franks and her husband, Roger, live in Little Rock. They have one daughter, Ava.